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## Agricultural Situation Monsoon Progress Report - Three 2002

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**Report Highlights:** 

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The progress of the monsoon remains stalled with several parts of northwestern India, including Delhi, Haryana, Punjab, and parts of Rajasthan yet to receive any monsoon rains. Rainfall activity diminished considerably during the week ending July 3 with only 11 of the 36 weather subdivisions receiving normal or above normal rainfall compared with 19 during the previous week (Fig 1). Important soybean, rice, cotton, and coarse grain growing areas received significantly below normal rains. However, Gujarat, the major peanut growing state, received about 8 inches of rain (three times the normal) causing localized flooding. The next two weeks will be critical in determining the outcome of this years kharif (fall harvested) crops, as the accepted window of opportunity for planting most kharif season crops is up to July 15.

Cumulative rain during June 1 to July 3 was normal in 25 of the 36 weather subdivisions compared with 27 a week ago and 29 during the corresponding period of last year (Fig 2). Deficiency was the highest in Punjab, Haryana, and West Uttar Pradesh, which, however, have assured irrigation facilities.

भारत मौसम विज्ञान विभाग INDIA METEOROLOGICAL DEPARTMENT RAINFALL (mm) FOR THE WEEK ENDING ON 03.07.2002 CHINA PAKISTAN BHUTAN BAY OF BENGAL ARABIA Categorywise No. of Subdivisions 03.07.2002 26.06.2002 04.07.200 KARNAT 261 Normal 61.0 OCEAN EXCESS (E) + 20% OR MORE DEFICIENT (D)
-20% TO -59% NORMAL (N) +19% TO -19% LEGEND: SCANTY (S) -60% TO -99% NO RAIN (NR) -100% × \* NO DATA NOTES:
(a) Rainfall figures are based on operational data.
(b) Small figures indicate actual rainfall (mm), while bold figures indicate normal rainfall (mm).
Percentage departures of rainfall are shown in brackets.

Fig 1. Rainfall During the Week Ending July 3

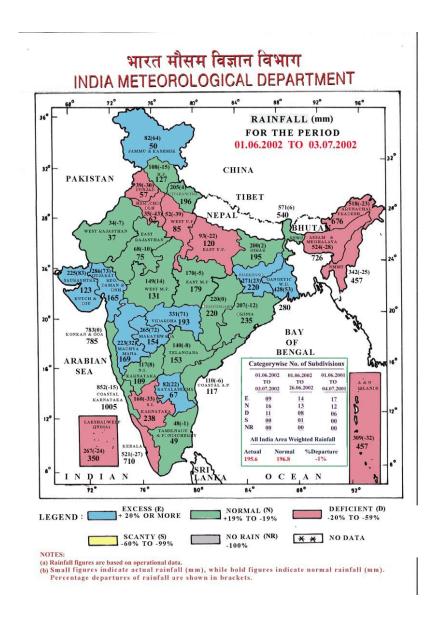


Fig 2. Cumulative Rainfall, June 1 to July 3